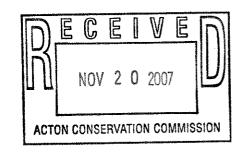
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November 15, 2007

SUBJECT: SPRING HILL ROAD NOTICE OF INTENT, NOVEMBER 2007

Dear Selectmen,

We would like to bring to your attention a Notice of Intent currently pending before Acton's Conservation Commission. It concerns a proposed development that directly impacts wetlands on Spring Hill Road – an area that was originally subdivided to protect these wetlands. This proposal was originally submitted in 1999 at which time it was denied by the Conservation Commission. A second application, which was in substance the same as the 1999 proposal, was submitted earlier this year and denied again by the Conservation Commission in August. Now, three months later, the applicant has submitted yet another Notice of Intent for the same project to the Conservation Commission. The applicant received a Superseding Order of Conditions from the Massachusetts DEP approving the project under the state Wetlands Protection Act. However, the applicant failed to file a timely appeal of the Conservation Commission's denial under Acton's Wetland Protection Bylaw with the Massachusetts Superior Court. Instead, the applicant is attempting to avoid litigation by returning yet again to the Conservation Commission.

This process is an incredible waste of Acton's resources and in total disregard for the interests of the Town. The proposal has been reviewed in depth on two separate occasions involving 10 hearings with evidence from biologists, lawyers and other specialists. Two separate Conservation Commissions with almost entirely different members found that the application did not meet Acton's Wetlands Bylaw's requirements. Now the Commission is being asked to repeat the process once again.

The DEP appeal was based entirely on the state Wetlands Protection Act and DEP Regulations, and did not address Acton's Wetlands Bylaw and Regulations, which are more stringent. We have the good fortune to live in a town that takes wetlands protection seriously and has a very clear and comprehensive set of bylaws and regulations to protect our valuable resources. If the applicant truly believes that his proposal does not violate these bylaws, he should have appealed at the Superior Court level instead of wasting the Conservation Commission's time with a third duplicative application.

Do not let Acton be held to ransom by this developer who we can only assume is hoping that Acton does not have the will to uphold its decisions and stand by its bylaws. The Conservation Commission has already spent considerable time on this case and unanimously decided that it did not satisfy the Wetlands Protection Bylaw and Regulations. We hope and trust that you will continue to support the Conservation Commission's proper application of our Wetlands Protection Bylaw. To do otherwise would set a precedent of allowing applicants to "wear down" the Commission by resubmitting Notices of Intent for the same project until it is approved. This would waste the Town's resources and undermine the Commission's ability to enforce the Acton Wetlands Protection Bylaw.

Given the depth of concern about this matter, we would appreciate a response to this letter as well as your continued attention to this matter.

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